

Beach Pollution, Boat Harbors Now Under Study by Legislators

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Member of the Assembly
The Senate Committee on Boat Harbors has confirmed my previous announcement that they will meet at the Pier Avenue Junior High School, 710 Pier Ave., Hermosa Beach, today, at 10 a.m.; recess from noon to 1:30 p.m., and resume hearings until about 4:30 p.m.

In addition to the Thursday session, which I reported in a previous issue of this column, they have agreed to meet on Friday, to tour Santa Monica Bay in a small ship in order to inspect from the sea the coastline from Redondo Beach to the new harbor just north of Playa del Rey.

After the coastal inspection, we shall go to Avalon, Santa Catalina Island, to hold a hearing on Avalon's request for state aid in constructing a breakwater to prevent harbor erosion. The meeting today is open to the public, but for obvious reasons, those accompanying the committee on the ship are limited to official representatives of cities and organizations.

Beach Pollution

On Nov. 26, the California State Department of Public Health held a public hearing in Berkeley regarding the regulations which they must issue to enforce compliance with my Assembly Bill 1087. This is now found in the State and Health and Safety Code, Statutes of 1957, Chapter 604, listed as "Article 4, Ocean Water-Contact Sports," but actually a law taking part of the authority away from the State and Regional Water Pollution Control Boards and giving it back, where it was years ago, to the State Department of Public Health, for the purpose of preventing the contamination and pollution of beaches and harbors.

This has special application to the waters of Santa Monica Bay, hence it directly affects Playa del Rey, El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa Beach, the Hollywood Riviera section of Torrance, Palos Verdes Estates, and Portuguese Bend. It indirectly but vitally affects everyone in California who uses beaches and harbors.

At the Berkeley hearing, Malcolm H. Merrill, M.D., State Director of Public Health, opened the meeting and thanked the legislature for enacting my bill. The Honorable Thomas P. Foye, councilman and former mayor of Manhattan Beach, and I explained the legislative intent behind the enactment of the law and then joined in the round-table discussion of the detailed language of the regulations which the State Department of Public Health must issue in order to implement the law.

Doctors Present

Doctors of medicine who are health officers of cities and counties all over California were present, along with sanitary and chemical engineers, recreation directors, and others vitally interested in protecting our beaches and harbors.

At the meeting of the Senate Boat Harbor Committee on Dec. 5, some of the witnesses will comment on the Berkeley meeting, but this is only one step along the long road toward cleaning up the beaches.

Yule Drive Sponsored by School Club

The Narbonne High School Key Club, under the direction of M. Shaefer, will sponsor this year a Christmas Box Campaign for needy families of the community.

Boxes will be decorated and filled with food and toys by individual homerooms. There are 40 homerooms and one box per homeroom and awards for the best decorated box and contents. The judges will be Principal Herbert Morey and presidents of civic organizations.

Turkeys for the boxes will be purchased from the Key Club at 39 cents a pound. A list will be sent to the homerooms. The drive started Monday and the boxes will be delivered on Dec. 13. The Key Club will have boxes available if desired. Shaefer said, "There should be a toy for each child in the family." The families do not want food that will spoil, but want plenty of meat. Terry Mertz is the campaign chairman for the Key Club.

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On Dec. 11, the Department of Public Health of the state will hold another hearing at the Division of Highways Building, 120 S. Spring St., Los Angeles, and a final hearing on Dec. 18, at the Civic Center in San Diego. Each hearing begins at 10 a.m.

Those wishing to attend should notify Malcolm H. Merrill, M.D., director of public health, State of California, 2151 Berkeley Way, Berkeley 4, Calif., and send me a carbon copy of the letter.

Hawk, Owl Shooting

All hawks and owls are now on the protected list of birds in California. Varmint hunters and farmers who formerly shot

these species on sight no longer may legally do so.

Some hawks are called living mousetraps because that animal forms such a large part of their diet, together with insects. All in all, the good done by hawks and owls in preserving the balance of nature far outweighs the little harm they do in eating small birds. This is the official opinion of the California State Department of Fish and Game and also the National Audubon Society.

Professional Help

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Probably the reason they seek my advice on this problem is that they know that I make my living by writing books and also that I detest false advertising and racketeering, both of which abound in the field of literary agents and critics.

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Guided Missile Men in Movies

Army guided missile men stationed at the Palos Verdes Nike site may have a chance to see themselves in a movie—Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "The Invisible Boy."

The movie, a science fiction production, was filmed in part at the Nike missile site at Point Vincente. Army personnel there participated in some of the scenes.

Army personnel in uniform and wearing the Air Defense patch with the guided missile will be admitted free at theaters during the entire performance run. Families and guests of the men may also accompany them without charge.

The plot of "The Invisible Boy" involves a giant electronic computer with equally giant plans, a young boy with unseen qualities, and a friendly robot named "Robby" who has already gained some fame in the world of science fiction.

MGM studios wear on location last June at the Nike site.



New Leader Of Symphony

Ed Pena took over as new president of the Harbor Area Youth Symphony at a recent installation banquet of the group. He replaces Curtis Bannan.

Conducted by Eugene Minor, the Symphony is sponsored by the Harbor City-Lomita Lions Club. The group will soon present the West Coast premiere of Lowndes Maury's "Proud Music of the Storm."

Guests at the banquet were Maury, Elyse Aehle, and Robert Ruge and Margaret McCoy, Narbonne High School instructors.

Other new officers include Gloria Thorpe, vice president;

Luck Harris, secretary; Janice Halick, treasurer; and Anita J. Friedrichs, program chairman. Old officers were Curtis Bannan, president; Sharon Bench, vice president; Judy Martin, secretary; Karen Eggers, treasurer; and Gene Benifer, librarian.

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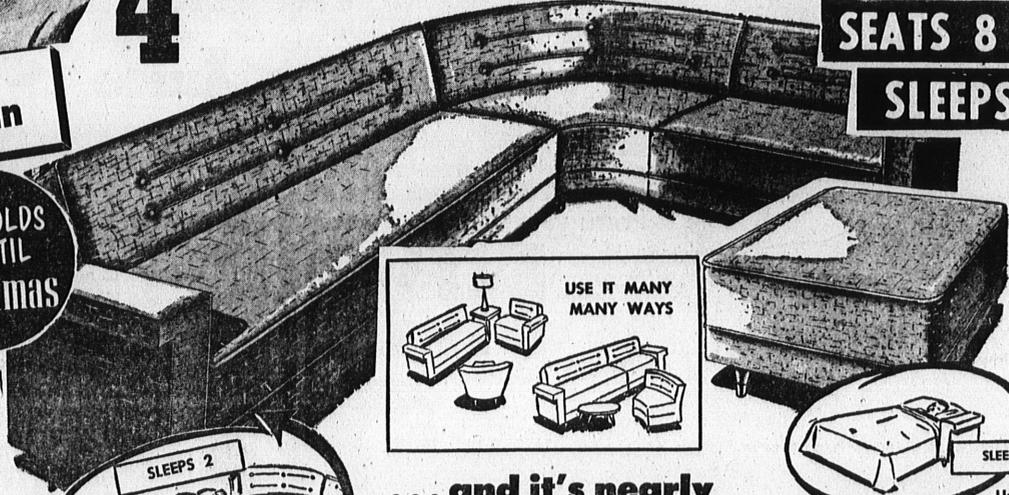
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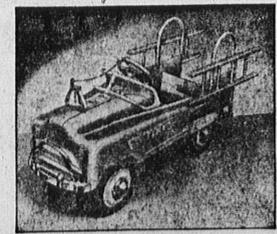


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